(b) how many of the victims were teenagers and school or college girls and boys; and in how many cases kidnapping was confirmed and the victims got free; and

(c) in how many cases ransom was paid before the victim was released and how many victims were found murdered/dead ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) The number of cases of kidnapping reported in Delhi during the period from 1-7-94 to 31-10-94 (month wise) is as under :—

Month	Number of cases reported
July, 1994	77
August, 1994	73
September, 1994 . . .	73
October, 1994	47

(b) 195 children including teenagers, school/college going girls/boys were kidnapped in 186 confirmed cases during the above period. 133 kidnapped children have been rescued/recovered.

(c) The Delhi Police have reported that only one case has come to their notice in which the family members of kidnapped child paid a sum of rupees twenty one lakh as ransom, out of which rupees twenty lakh and sixty thousand have been recovered from the culprits.

In one case, dead body of a female child aged about 9 years was recovered from Hindon Cannal in the area of Police Station Kalyanpuri, Delhi.

Persons under security cover in Punjab

2327. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) how many persons in Punjab are still under (SPG) security cover after normalcy in Punjab has been restored;

(b) what is the number of security personnel deployed for this and the number of vehicles placed at their disposal; and

(c) what is the total expenses incurred on their security per month ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) None.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Repatriation of Absconding Criminals

2328. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the absconding criminals residing abroad are regularly giving press interviews and such interviews are regularly published in the newspapers ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that such interviews are regularly given from some countries in the Middle-East;

(c) whether Government have taken such issues with Government of the countries from where the absconding criminals have given the interviews;

(d) whether Government have made any efforts for repatriating such criminals, if so the details thereof; and

(e) what is the outcome thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. One such News has come to the notice of the Government. According to the News report the interview was given from a Middle-East country.

(c) to (e) All efforts are being made to secure extradition/deportation of the absconders hiding abroad in connection with the Bombay bomb blast cases. Help of Interpol has been sought. Red Corner Notices for their arrest and detention have been got issued through Interpol. Requests for extradition/deportation have also been sent to the Governments of Pakistan and UAE. The Govt. of Pakistan has denied the presence of any absconders in Pakistan.

Withdrawal of Armed Forces Special Power Act, 1958

2329. SHRI VIZOL : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Armed Forces Special Power Act, 1958 has been enforced in the North Eastern States since its inception ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Central Government has decided to withdraw the Armed Forces Special Power Act, 1958 from the North Eastern States; and

(c) if so, by when the Act of 1958 will be withdrawn from the North Eastern States and if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) The Act is applicable for all the seven States of the North East. Howeever, only the following areas of the North Eastern States stand declared as disturbed areas :